

Mandatory CERI briefings

Base officials say all 18th Wing personnel must attend one of the following briefings at the Keystone Theater in preparation for the Dec. 7-10 Combat Employment Readiness Inspection. The Kadena-side exercise participants must attend one of the following briefings on Monday, Nov. 29: 7:30 - 8:45 a.m., 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. or 3:30 - 4:45 p.m. Base X participants must attend one of the following meetings on Tuesday, Nov. 30: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. or 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.

Kadena volunteers help challenged athletes

Community event improves Okinawa-military relations

By Master Sgt. Stefanie Doner
18th Wing Public Affairs

Nearly 100 Kadena volunteers gathered at the Okinawa Prefectural Sports Park in Okinawa City Sunday to help approximately 2,000 mentally-disabled athletes compete in the Yuai Sports Competition. Volunteers included active-duty Air Force members, Marine people, family members, Japanese base employees and local students.

The competition is similar to the American Special Olympics with some competitors needing more help than others. The athletes took part in events such as the 30-meter dash, ground golf and Frisbee toss. Volunteers assisted the athletes by guiding them through the events and giving out medals to the participants. Volunteers also helped direct parking.

"Events such as this help build community relationships between the Okinawans and the U.S. military members on the island," said Col. Jim Davis, 18th Support Group deputy commander.

"It also provides an opportunity for cultural exchange built around the common goal of supporting our special athletes," said Davis.

One American, 25-year-old Adam Post, was
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Photo by Senior Airman Cohen Young

Amn. Tamara Johnson, 353rd Operations Support Squadron, (right) gets ready to hand another Frisbee to Yuai Sports Competition athlete Adam Post.

Airman lands Lester Senior Sailor of the Quarter award

By Staff Sgt. Orville Desjarlais
Kadena Shogun editor

Thomas Krenzke and Sharon Kowalkowski are a little baffled at how the Navy could name their son as a top sailor.

Especially since their son has been on active duty with the Air Force for 15 years.

Tech. Sgt. Kristopher Krenzke was recently named Senior Sailor of the Quarter and is in the running for Senior Sailor of the Year, an honor that has never been bestowed upon an airman at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Camp Lester. The sailor of the year award will be decided in January.

"It's highly unusual that an Air Force member won a sailor award," says Command Master Chief Renato Pamintuan, U.S. Naval Hospital. "He competed against many of our top-notch sailors and won, which proves we show no favoritism."

"He has a good chance to make sailor of the year for the hospital. He's very articulate and he's doing a lot of great things at (the neonatal intensive care unit)," says Pamintuan.

Senior Sailor of the Quarter recognizes the accomplishments of E-6s in the U.S. Naval Hospital, using the whole-person concept.

"We look at their good deeds, both on and off duty," says Pamintuan.

So, how does an airman feel about winning a sailor award?

"I'm humbled," says Krenzke. "My peers are truly outstanding individuals and to even be considered for this award is prestigious."

He said the Navy award program differs from



Photo by Senior Airman Susan Adams

Tech. Sgt. Kristopher Krenzke of the U.S. Naval Hospital at Camp Lester was recently named Senior Sailor of the Quarter.

the Air Force in that the Navy board is more informal. "I enjoyed going before the board. They let you know if you answer questions correctly, or they give you the correct answer if you get one wrong. When I left, I knew exactly how well I did," says Krenzke.

Not only did Krenzke have to answer ques-

tions about his job, but he also had to learn a little about the Navy, such as Navy ribbons.

Krenzke is the NCO in charge of the neonatal nursing element that is charged with caring for babies in the Pacific.

He manages 12 enlisted people, ensuring his unit is equipped with the resources it needs. With about 250 tiny patients admitted a year and an average of 44 aerial medical evacuations annually, the neonatal section is everything but boring.

"Every day is very unique because working in critical care (one realizes) anything can happen at any moment," says Krenzke.

"It's a challenge ensuring this unit has all the resources and manpower it needs."

And every day Krenzke meets that challenge, according to his supervisor, Master Sgt. Andrew Archuleta, neonatal special care/intensive care flight NCO in charge.

"As a supervisor and mentor, he really shines," says Archuleta. "When the Navy has questions about mentor or career progression, they ask him. The fact is, the Navy recognizes that he works in a Navy hospital and his peers work in the Navy and many look to him for leadership and direction."

It's the joint-service aspect of his job that makes his career the most rewarding experience to date, according to Krenzke. "I'm able to learn what the Navy does and teach the Navy what the Air Force does. We work together well. Because we're part of the Air Force and attached to the Navy, being able to participate in both program is the best of both worlds."



Photos by Staff Sgt. Gary Fowler



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Senior Airman Timothy Bennett (right) of the 18th Maintenance Squadron explains the operation of an F-15 external fuel tank to Air Force Maj. Stuart A Lum and Japanese students Tech. Sgt. Kaneharu Fujii, Capt. Kasuhiro Endo, Tech Sgt. Yasunori Yumiba and Maj. Kazuhisa Masuda during the two-day visit to Kadena Air Base. Japanese Capt. Atsushi Nishizawa, a student with the First Technical School at Hamatsu Air Base, near Mount Fuji, points out photos to fellow student Capt. Atsuhiko Kuwabara. Kadena airmen unload a weapon in a demonstration for the visiting students. Japanese Capt. Kasuhiro Endo peers inside some equipment during the tour. Japanese Capt. Yoshiyuki Ishibashi inspects the nose gear of an Air Force plane during the tour.



Japanese military visits Kadena

By Staff Sgt. Adam Johnston
18th Wing
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Japanese military officers from bases scattered throughout Japan visited Kadena Air Base recently for an as part of the advance logistics officer course, organizers say.

The two-day visit was part of an operational orientation visit, said 1st Lt. Colin Sewake, a Kadena official who acted as a translator for the group of 12 officers.

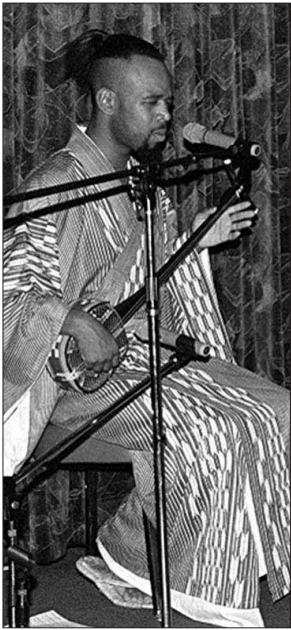
The group consisted of Japan Air Self Defense Force students from the First Technical School at Hamamatsu Air Base.

The group was led by Air Force

Maj. Stuart Lum, an exchange officer assigned to the school, located about 75 miles west of Tokyo.

"The tour has also included visits to Misawa and Naha," Sewake said.

At Kadena, the logistics students toured the flightline, viewed an F-15 fuel tank system and looked at aircraft and munitions shelters.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Cherie Kiger

FAR LEFT: Byron Jones plays the Japanese three-stringed instrument, the sanshin. **CENTER:** Carolyn Willetts, American Tomonokai chairperson, right, dances with an elderly woman in a wheelchair. **RIGHT:** A Tomonokai member dances with a staff member.

左端：沖縄のサンシンを演奏するバイロン・ジョーンズさん。
真ん中：友の会のアメリカ人の会長キャロリン・ウィレットさん
(右)も車椅子の高齢者と踊る。
右：友の会メンバーと踊る職員の方達。

Kadena honors local elders with luncheon in NCO Club

By Staff Sgt. Orville Desjarlais
Kadena Shogun editor

In a tradition that spans decades, members of Kadena's spouse clubs and women's clubs of Okinawa city honored local elders with a luncheon in the Kadena NCO Club.

The annual luncheon celebrates the longevity of the guests and shows appreciation for their knowledge and experience, according to Col. Stan Yarbrough, 18th Wing vice commander.

"The senior citizens with us today possess the kind of wisdom that comes only from decades of overcoming the challenges that life presents," Yarbrough said in a speech at the Nov. 18 luncheon.

Most of the guests were more than 75 years old, and many have lived through times of war. "Half a century ago, they emerged from the second world war into a life most of us can scarcely imagine," Yarbrough said. "They had to re-locate their families, re-build their communities and re-start their lives. They were determined, resourceful and, most of all, courageous."

The oldest woman at the luncheon in the Tomonokai group – a local friendship society that has been together for more than three decades – was Makato Maehara, 98, a Kadena Town resident. Chouryu Kochi, 90, also from Kadena Town, was the oldest

man to attend. The rest of the 84 senior citizen guests were from Okinawa City, Kadena Town and Chatan Town.

"In some ways, Okinawan society shows a deeper public appreciation for its elderly than we do in the United States. We can learn from you," said Yarbrough, who then quoted American author Alex Haley as having once said we should treasure older people because the loss of even one of them is like "burning a library."

The playing of the traditional Okinawan stringed instrument, the sanshin, by American Byron Jones was the highlight of the event, according to Yoshie Nakasone, Japanese Tomonokai president. Jones is a Kubasaki High School graduate who stayed on island and now teaches English at a local Japanese high school.

While Jones was playing the sanshin in a kimono and singing in Okinawan, two members of the Tomonokai jumped up on the stage and began dancing. "Everyone began dancing and singing," said Nakasone. "The event was successful because there was a joyous feeling that naturally came out when Jones started playing."

The spouses' club also contributed to the cost of all the Tomonokai members' lunches, as well as their gifts.

友の会、敬老昼食会を主催

嘉手納基地配偶者の会と沖縄市の婦人方が、その長く引き継がれてきた活動の一つとして敬老昼食会を毎年主催しているが、今年の敬老会が、11月18日嘉手納基地NCOクラブにて催された。

第18航空団副司令官スタン・ヤブロー大佐は、「今日ここにお集まりの年長者の方々は、何十年もの人生の中で、多くの困難を乗り越え、培われた知恵をもっていると思います」と、この昼食会が長寿を祝い積み重ねられた知識と経験に感謝の意を表するため開かれていると、述べた。さらに、「ほとんどの方々が75歳以上で、我々（年少者が）想像だにできない戦争を経験され、その困難から抜け出し、家族を移動させ、社会を再構築し、そして人生を再開させなければなりません。決意の固い、知恵に富む、勇敢な方々ばかりです」と、続けた。

主催者は、友の会という30年以上もの歴史を持つ地元との交流会である。友の会は、今年沖縄市、嘉手納町、北谷町から86人のお年寄りを招待した。参加した招待客中、今年の最高齢者は、女性では嘉手納町の前原マカト（98歳）さん、男性では同じく嘉手納町の幸地兆良さん（90歳）である。

ヤブロー大佐は、「米国に比較して、沖縄の社会が年長者を深く敬うという点において、沖縄の人から学ぶべきものがある」と、述べ、「我々は人生の先輩方を大事にしなければなりません。一人の年長者を失うことは、図書館一棟を焼失するようなものです」と、アメリカ作家アレックス・ヘイレーの言葉を引用した。

余興としてアメリカ人のバイロン・ジョーンズさんが沖縄の三線演奏を披露してくれた。友の会の地元側会長を務める仲宗根良枝さんは、彼のエンターテイメントが昼食会を多いに盛り上げてくれたと言う。ジョーンズさんはクバサキ高校卒業生で、現在地元の高校で英語を教えているとのこと。着物姿に身を包み、三線を弾き、沖縄方言で歌うジョーンズさんにあわせて、友の会の2人が即興で舞台上で踊り始めたことである。仲宗根さんは「そのあとも、飛び入りで多くの人が踊ったり、歌ったりしました。ジョーンズさんの演奏がきっかけで、喜びを表そうとする気持ちが自然にわきあがってきたのだと思います。」

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LEFT: Master Sgt. Stan Pamphille, 18th Services Squadron, hands a Frisbee to a wheel-chaired athlete during the Yuai Sports Competition. RIGHT: Runners cross the finish line.



左：ゆうあいスポーツ大会で、フリスビーを車椅子の競技者に手渡し第18業務中隊のスタンパンフィル軍曹。
右：ゴールに入ってくるランナー達。

Military volunteers appreciated by local Okinawa officials

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among the participants. Post, a 1995 Kubasaki High School graduate who now works in the Popeye's restaurant on Camp Foster, competed in the Frisbee toss. In this discus-inspired event, competitors throw a Frisbee as far as they can and officials measure the distance to see who can throw it the farthest.

"I competed in a Special Olympics competition in Colorado in 1988," Post said, "This is the first time I've

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Dr. Takeyasu Taira,
Okinawa Prefectural Government
Department of Health and Welfare director general.

competed in Okinawa. I haven't practiced or anything. I just plan to do my best. It's all just for fun. What I really enjoy is watching the competition and seeing how everyone works so hard at the events and has a good time.”

“Events such as these are important because they help our mentally disabled people get together, establish friendships and take part in events that give them such a sense of accomplishment,” said Dr. Takeyasu Taira, Okinawa Prefectural Gov-

ernment Department of Health and Welfare director general. “It's also important for the Okinawan people to see that these people can do things on their own. These disabled people work in each of our municipalities and are an important part of our communities.”

Taira said he greatly appreciates the support from Kadena's volunteers. “It's good to see so many Americans coming out to show support for our disabled people and helping them demonstrate their capabilities.”

Yoshito Yamada, director of the Okinawa's Military Base Affairs Office, agrees.

“Everyone knows there are many U.S. military members, civilians and their families on Okinawa. Unfortunately, it's the accidents or incidents they get involved in that gets most of the attention. But many Americans have this wonderful volunteer spirit in themselves. These types of events allow that spirit to be seen and emphasizes the friendship between us.”

Kadena will sponsor a Special Olympics in April that will include participants from bases as well as the local community. Davis said he sees U.S. participation in the Yuai Sports Competition as a means of preparing for this event.

“By training our 100 volunteers here,” he said, “we can see some of the sports and other activities and get a feel for how they're run. We can use this as a stepping stone for our own event.”

According to Yamada, there will be many Okinawan volunteers ready to lend their hands to help Kadena just as Kadena helped them.

“Today's event was a positive move forward and we look forward to Kadena's event next spring.”

嘉手納のボランティア、障害者のためのスポーツ大会を手助け

知的障害者のための第8回沖縄県ゆうあいスポーツ大会が21日（日曜日）沖縄市在沖縄県総合運動公園にて開催され、約2,000名の選手が参加した。嘉手納基地からおおよそ100名のボランティアが大会をボランティアで支えた。ボランティアとして参加したのは、現役の軍人、軍属、その家族ら、更に通訳として基地の日本人従業員、地元の学生らが米人ボランティアを手助けしてくれた。

このスポーツ大会は、アメリカのスペシャル・オリンピックと類似している。競技種目として、30メートル走、グランドゴルフ、フライングディスクなどがある。嘉手納のボランティアらは、競技種目への誘導、参加者記念メダルの授与の手伝い、駐車場での交通整理を行った。

第18支援群副司令官ジム・デイビス大佐も参加し、「このようなイベントは沖縄と在沖米軍人との協力関係を築き上げるのに役立ちます。」そして「競技のため介護の必要な人を助けるという、人として共通の目標に向かって一緒に仕事をすることは、これも一つの文化交流といえます」と、語った。

米軍側からはアダム・ポストさん(25歳)が参加。今回の競技参加者の中では、唯一のアメリカ人である。1995年にクバサキ高校を卒業後、現在はキャンプ・フォスターのボパイレストランで働くアダムさんは、フライングディスク（フリスビーに類似）に参加。円盤投げに似た競技で、競技者はできる限り遠くまでフリスビーを投げ、一番遠くまで投げた距離を審査員が測り勝者を決定する。

「1988年のコロラド州でのスペシャル・オリンピックにも参加したことがあります」と、ポストさんは語ってくれた。「沖縄での競技に参加するのはこれが初めてです。練習はやっていませんが、全力を尽します。でも何よりも楽しみたいという気持ちで参加しています。他の競技を見たり、競技参加者が一生懸命やっている様子を見たり、そして皆が楽しんでいる様子を見るのが好きなのです。」

沖縄県福祉保健部長平良健康博士は、

「知的障害者が出会い、交流を深め、そして満足感が得られるこのようなイベントに参加するのは、大切なことです」と、また「県民が、障害者への認識を高め、彼等が自力で行動する姿を見ることも大切です。障害者の皆さんは、市町村で働き、地域社会の大切な一部を担っているのです」と、述べた。

平良さんは、嘉手納からのボランティア支援に、「多くのアメリカ人が、障害者を支援するため参加してくれ、障害者の技量を証明する手助けをしてくれることは、すばらしい。」と、感謝を述べた。

「多くの米軍人、軍属、家族が沖縄で生活していることは、周知のことです。残念なことに、米軍関係者の事件・事故にのみ注目が集まりがちです。しかし、多くのアメリカ人はこのような素晴らしいボランティア精神を持っています。このような大会を通し、ボランティア精神を多くの人に知ってもらい、さらに相互親善を高めることができるでしょう」と、山田義人沖縄県基地対策室長は感想を述べた。

嘉手納基地では、来年4月に嘉手納基地でスペシャル・オリンピックを主催し、基地と地元から参加者を募る予定。今回アメリカ人がゆうあいスポーツ大会に参加したことは、基地内でのイベントの準備の弾みになると、デイビス大佐は言う。「我々のボランティア達は今回参加することにより、(来年のイベントに向けて)良い練習の機会を得た。地元のスポーツ大会に直接関わることで、競技種目や、運営方法などを学び、手本とした」と続けた。

嘉手納のボランティア参加のように、嘉手納基地でのイベントには地元からも多くのボランティアが期待できるだろう、と山田室長は述べ、さらに「今日のイベントは、一歩前進であり、来春の嘉手納でのイベントを楽しみにしています」と、述べた。

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353rd maintainers help flood victims

By Tech. Sgt. Michael Farris
353rd Special Operations Group
Public Affairs

Members of Special Operations' 353rd Maintenance Squadron not only fix airplanes, they also help mend the lives of less-fortunate people.

Recently, the maintainers loaded and delivered more than 4,500 pounds of winter clothing and children's toys into a C-130 bound for Korea.

This shipment is destined for needy South Koreans who have spent the last few months battling flood waters, organizers say. Many families have lost everything. The delivery coincides with cold arctic winds that will soon lock the peninsula in snow and ice.

"The charity drives began in 1996," said Master Sgt. Mike Saraceno, a principle coordinator for the Korean donation. "Since then we've redistributed more than 90 tons of donations to Pacific nations such as Indonesia, Philippines and Thailand and other countries including Panama and Diego Garcia."

The clothing drive is an ongoing volunteer program for these maintainers. In addition to gathering items from within the squadron and around the 353rd Special Operations Group, they also take donations from church groups, the Airman's Attic, and the Kadena Thrift Shop. Once collected, they prepare the items for shipment with unit volunteers, Okinawan charity groups, and even help from students, and organizations like the Boy Scouts and the Civil



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Michael Farris

Rochelle Wheeler, Army Area 1 Community Services director, looks over donations with a soldier.

Air Patrol.

On a windswept ramp at Osan Air Base, Rochelle Wheeler, Army Area 1 Community Services director, and Command Sergeant Major William Foster took possession of the donations.

"The men and women of the 353rd should be proud of their generosity and selflessness," Wheeler said. "This delivery is especially noteworthy because of suffering that's taking place in certain areas of South Korea."

Wheeler will deliver the clothing and toys to community social service agents and then eventually to Korean households. "I guarantee that every piece — from socks to sweaters

— will go to good use," she said.

According to Master Sgt. Vic Ambegia, Charity Drive Coordinator for the 353rd, the undertaking is "an international community effort involving multiple agencies and countless volunteers. It's all about being a good neighbor."

Ambegia rarely has trouble finding volunteers to sort, pack, wrap, and palletize the donations. "Over time, members of the unit have developed special interests dedicated to a specific charity," he said. "Each coordinator tailors charity needs for a geographic area or circumstance. Their expertise has resulted in overwhelming success at getting donations where they're needed."

12 at Kadena selected for chief master sergeant

Twelve Kadena senior master sergeants were selected for promotion Nov. 18 to chief master sergeant, joining the 502 of the 2,855 Air Force-wide eligible for promotion to chief master sergeant. This represents an overall 17.58 percent selection rate for the 99E9 cycle, well above the TOPCAP minimum of 13 percent set for chief master sergeant during the draw-down, say Air Force officials.

The newly selected chief master sergeants are as follows:

18th Medical Operations Squadron
Danny Corprew
18th Medical Support Squadron
Laketta Harris
44th Fighter Squadron
Richard Abramczyk
18th Operations Squadron
Thomas Alijinovich
Ira Mason

67th Fighter Squadron
Anthony Agullard
18th Communications Squadron
Robert Knight
18th Security Forces Squadron
John Kreutzer Jr.
18th Munitions Squadron
Jerry Whitlock
18th Supply Squadron
Leila Brown
353rd Special Operations Group
Eugene Frier
909th Air Refueling Squadron
James Nichols

Lieutenants selected for promotion to captain

Kadena first lieutenants joined the 3,367 lieutenants Air Force-wide selected for promotion to captain by the calendar year 1999D Central Captain Line, Chaplain, Judge Advocate General, Medical Service, Biomedical Sciences and Nurse Corps boards that convened Sept. 27.

Selected for promotion were:

67th Fighter Squadron
Eugene Barlow Jr.
Aaron Clark
Katrina Ekman
18th Support Group
Diane Benavidez
353rd Special Operations Group
Michael Bennett
Christopher Doguet
William Loux
Joshua Maskovich
17th Special Operations Squadron
John Buchanan II
Scott Hartman
Reginald Minton
Curtis Reinhart
909th Air Refueling Squadron
Kenneth Carmichael
Scott Eisinger
Brian Fallis
Jeffrey Goggin
Justin Hansen
Derek Jewell
Mark Johnson
Jason Millard
Joel Safranek
Scott Walker
Todd Wydra
633rd Air Mobility Support Squadron
Darcene Dowling
33rd Rescue Squadron
Michael Embree
Lorne Eshelman
Mathew Wenthe
12th Fighter Squadron
Stephen Frank
Scott Howe
Derek Innarelli
67th Fighter Squadron
Charles Glasscock
Daniel Marine
Robert Mitchell
Matthew Nicholson
18th Operations Support Squadron
Dwayne Gray
Sundri Khalsa
Jonathan Leslie
961st Airborne Air Control Squadron
Philip Luther Haar
Patricia Hagerty
Joshua Jackson
Brian Zullo
1st Special Operations Squadron
John Harbour
44th Fighter Squadron
Gregory Harmon
Joel Hemphill
Robert King Jr.
Steven Ross
Brian Stuart
Brian Swyt
Jeffrey Ward
372nd Training Squadron
Rodney Luckett
18th Operations Group
Timothy Malchow
390th Intelligence Squadron
Jeannette McCoy
18th Supply Squadron
Glen Mingee
18th Mission Support Squadron
Margaret Taylor
18th Supply Squadron
Vinh Trinh
18th Wing Staff Judge Advocate
Jennifer Reynolds
Jason Wrachford

SQUADRON SPOTLIGHT

Distinguished graduates named

Three members of Kadena were recently named distinguished graduates during a Senior NCO Academy graduation ceremony held Oct. 21 at Gunter Air Force Station, Ala.

The distinguished graduates were **Senior Master Sgt. Scott Truesdell** and **Master Sgt. John Sharpe**, 18th Medical Group; and **Senior Master Sgt. Jerry Sutton**,

961st Airborne Air Control Squadron.

Diamond Sharps

The following Kadena people received the Diamond Sharp Award for outstanding personal appearance or significant contributions to the Kadena community. Each received a Diamond Sharp coin and coupons from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and the 18th Services Squadron.

Tech. Sgt. John Lee, 18th Medical Group; **Senior Airman Richard R. Holguin**, 718th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Staff Sgt. Shane Wehunt**, 1st Special Operations Squadron; **Airman 1st Class Sarah Yeargan**, 18th Wing Judge Advocate Office; **Senior Airmen Lashanda Hunter** and **Michelle Montez**, 18th Supply Squadron; and **Airman 1st Class Monique R. Clifton**, 18th Security Forces Squadron.

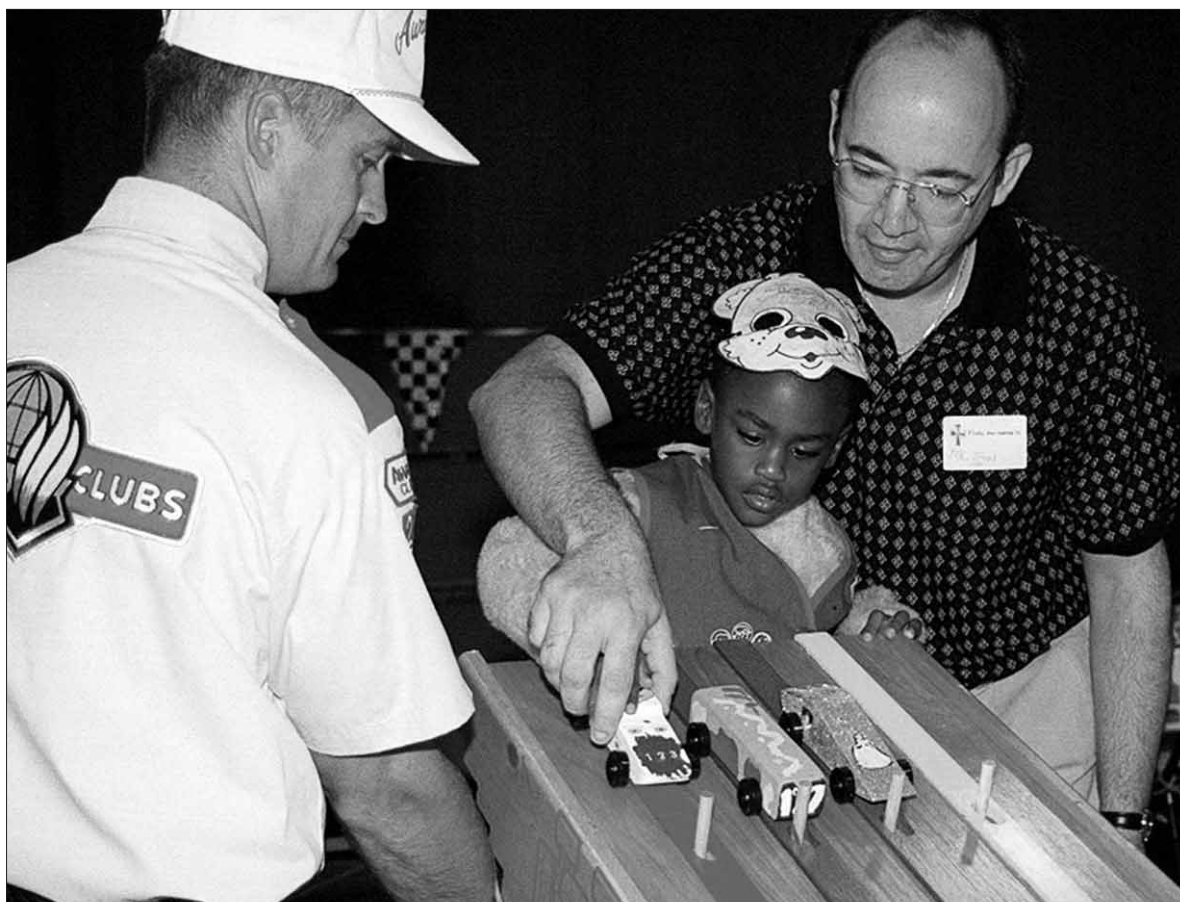


Photo by Staff Sgt. Cherie Kiger

Day at the races

Austin Moore, son of Staff Sgt. Christopher Moore of the 82nd Rescue Squadron positions his car before the AWANAS pinewood derby race at Kadena's Elementary school on Saturday.

Free mail-order calls

Free calls to 1-800 telephone numbers in the U.S. will be offered from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Kadena USO.

Art auction, sale

The Kadena High School booster club and a local art dealer will host an art auction and sale Dec. 4 at the Kadena High School.

A preview and sale will begin at 5:30 p.m. while the auction will start at 7 p.m.

Organizers say the proceeds from the event will be used for students involved in academics, arts and athletics.

Frugal living

A class on budgeting for the holidays and gift giving tips will be held at Kadena's Family Support Center Dec. 1 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Participants must register for the class by Monday by calling 634-3366.

CERI help online

The 18th Civil Engineering Squadron's readiness flight has a host of information available to prepare for the Combat Employment Readiness Inspection to be conducted by the Pacific Air Forces inspector general, base officials say.

Information available includes unit control center checklists, sector sweep checklists, sector team chief procedures, quarterly newsletters and a slide show presentation on ways troops can improve their ability to survive and operate. The address for the page is: www.kadena.af.mil/kadena/18wg/18ceg/18ces/Readiness/readim.asp.

Units are also encourage to visit the 18th Operations Group's unit control center homepage at: ogwww.kadena.af.mil/war/ucc/index.cfm.

For more information call the readiness unit at 634-4404.

Book drive

A books for tots drive is ongoing at Kadena's base library. Contributors are asked to donate a new children's book for reading levels ranging from pre-school to third-grade at the library. Organizers say the books will be distributed to the base community – as needed – through the base chapels or through unit first sergeants during the Christmas holidays.

Help for women

A free-membership woman's growth group will meet Tuesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Building 90 on Douglas Boulevard across from Marek Park. Babysitting will be provided on an as needed basis. While membership is free, women need to call 634-0433 to register for the support group, organizers say.

Limited service

Personnel officials say access to the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System at Kadena will be limited from 2 to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

1999 Combined Federal Campaign update

Goals

- 100 percent informed contact
- 30 percent participation
- \$266,635

Nov. 19 status

- 100 percent informed contact
- 20.4 percent participation
- \$244,736.29

Craft fair

A craft fair will be held Dec. 4 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Torii Station gymnasium.

Letters to Santa

Children who want a response from Santa Claus with a postmark from the North Pole should send letters by Dec. 1 to the following address: Santa's Mailbag, 354 OSS/OSW, 1215 Flightily Ave. Eielson AFB, AK 99702-1520.

Sealed bid sale

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office at Camp Kinser will have items available Dec. 13-15 at Bldg. 600 for a sealed bid sale on Dec. 16. For details, call 647-4323 or 647-3707.

Dress and appearance

(Editor's Note: The following is the second in a series of military dress and appearance scenarios that will test your knowledge of the subject.)

You're walking into the commissary when you notice another military member in BDUs wearing a T-shirt in the parking lot. What does Air Force Instruction 36-2903 say about the wear of T-shirts only without the BDU shirt?

Members may remove their BDU shirt in their work center and remove their hats in authorized "no hat" areas. However, members will always wear their hats and shirts when transiting their cars, homes or work places.

Vrrooom!

Americans, Japanese gather for bike fest near Gate 2

By Staff Sgt.
Adam Johnston
18th Wing Public Affairs

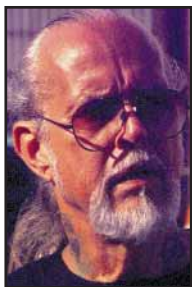
OKINAWA CITY — Thirteen-year-old Al Evers used to push his James hillclimber motorcycle more than he rode it.

"I'd push it for a mile and a half. Ride it for a half-mile then push it for another mile and a half," Evers says with a laugh.

That thrill apparently stuck, because last Sunday — some 47 years later — Evers, now 60, is still pushing motorcycles.

But now, the retired Air Force master sergeant does it as an organizer of the Gate 2 Fest — an annual gathering of about 200 motorcycle enthusiasts and bikers near Kadena Air Base. The event originally started as a flower festival but was scrapped when the motorcycles became the main attraction, Evers said.

"The flowers are now gone, but there are a lot more bikes," says Evers with a



EVERS

"There are two types of bikers — Wannabe Yuppie bikers who do it just for the recreation and bikers who were born with it."

smile.

Small, big, three wheeled and even no-wheeled bikes could be seen at the one-day event.

"I heard there was a contest for best unfinished bike," says Tech Sgt. John "Tolli" Tollison of the 353rd Maintenance Squadron. Tollison's no-wheeled, skeletal husk of a motorcycle frame was one of several bikes on display at the festival.

Holding his 4-month-old daughter Cheyanna, Tollison — a native of Warren, Arkansas — smiled when he said he'd also be holding a "little baby trophy" for his unfinished bike because it was the only one of its type at the event.

Standing on Gate 2 Street Sunday with their children, Sandy Fuller, 33, of Jackson, Miss. and Julaine Pettis, 30, of Seattle, marveled at the motorcycles on display by many of the motorcycle clubs from Okinawa and mainland Japan.

Both wives just kind of laughed when asked if they knew anything about motorcycles.

Pettis' husband, Staff Sgt. Pat Pettis of the 909th Aerial Refueling Squadron, currently has a Harley Fatboy "in the works" on the floor of the couples' living room. When asked if this is strange, Pettis laughs it off and says most of her friends understand her plight as a Harley "widow."

While the fascination with Harley-Davidson motorcycles is one of the main pulls of the Gate 2 Fest, Dana Rubitsky, 42, of Carbondale, Kan., says motorcycles are really just a part of her and her husband's life.

While Sunday meant Gate 2 Fest for most local bikers, for the Rubitsky's — Dana's husband Fred, 43, of Edgerton, Wis. works at Futenma Air Station — it also was a time for celebration.

Sunday was the Rubitsky's 18th wedding anniversary. Mr. Rubitsky, proudly showed off his wife's anniversary present — a pair of passenger foot pegs attached to his 1998 Heritage Harley. "When we first got married my seat was the fender," Mrs. Rubitsky said with a laugh.

"I have always been the girlfriend on the back seat," said Department of Defense Schools official, Kim Purcell, 43, of Joplin, Mo. But that changed last year when Purcell bought her own motorcycle — a Harley Davidson Sportster 1200 XLH. And during Sunday's motorcycle parade, Purcell was in the driver's seat as she rode with fellow biker — Cindy GeBaide, 30, of Alexandria, Va. GeBaide rode her own Honda Steed 600.

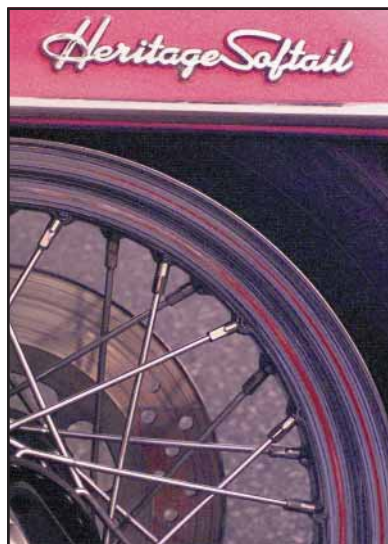
"Most of the bikers and clubs on Okinawa are family oriented," said long-time biker and retired Air Force Master Sgt. Frank "Pops" Brown, 57, of Amarillo, Texas. Brown, who has been riding in Okinawa for almost 20 years, says motorcycling here has become almost too popular.

But that kind of push is exactly what Evers would like to see happen with future Gate 2 Fests, even though Evers — a third generation biker admits: "There are two types of bikers — Wannabe Yuppie bikers who do it just for the recreation and bikers who were born with it."



Street. LEFT SIDE — CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Nearly 200 Japanese and military motorcycle enthusiasts parade down Gate 2 Street. Futenma worker Fred Rubitsky, 43, of Edgerton, Wis. hugs his wife Dana, 42, of Carbondale, Kan., during a motorcycle day that included their 18th wedding anniversary. Department of Dependents Schools official Kim Purcell, a 43-year-old native of Joplin, Mo., and Awase restaurant worker Cindy GeBaide, a 30-year-old native of Alexandria, Va., park their motorcycles after the parade. Kanji characters highlight the "trunk" of a motorcycle on display Sunday. While there were plenty of Harley Davidson Heritage softails at Sunday's event, other makes of motorcycles were also on hand. Sitting behind a motorcycle with a side car, a Japanese motorcycle enthusiast grabs some shade. Sunday's event also included about 40 bikers from motorcycle clubs in mainland Japan.

Photos by Staff Sgt. Adam Johnston



Know customs law before shopping

People who don't follow rules vulnerable to receiving fines

By Charles K. Steitz
Shogun volunteer

With the holidays quickly approaching along with the desire to purchase low-cost gifts, travelers should contact or visit the Kadena Customs and Immigrations Office to avoid embarrassing or costly situations.

"A common problem occurs when travelers arrive at the Kadena terminal after visiting countries termed 'high risk' for producing and distributing counterfeit or copyrighted materials," says Master Sgt. Eugene Moody Jr., 18th Security Forces Squadron "When these flights arrive, our Status of Forces Agreement with Japan requires us to conduct a 100 percent examination of passenger baggage. We have a responsibility to adhere to the rules and regulations of our government and the host nation. Therefore, we treat everyone special, and no one is treated any differently," says Moody.

People who don't follow the rules may find themselves vulnerable to fines and even being held temporarily until the situation is resolved.

"We've had numerous situations where customers purchase 10 or more designer Coach bags or 10 pairs of designer jeans and attempt to bring these items into Japan," said Tech. Sgt. Mark Jenkins, 18th SFS. "We've had many situations where individuals attempted to bring hundreds of pirated CD-ROMs to the island. Typically, these items are not declared and the person has no proof of purchase. In these situations, we confiscate the



Photo by Staff Sgt. Orville Desjarlais

Military customs inspector Airman 1st Class Jason Dearing checks the prescription medication of a passenger. Travelers must ensure they don't mix their medication or risk getting it confiscated.

material and release the product to the Japanese customs officials. In situations like this, offenders may be detained or apprehended."

"For some people this can be an expensive lesson in life," Jenkins says. "Once items have been released to the Japanese government, we will assist in the process of getting the items returned. However, there is no guarantee the Japanese customs and immigrations officials will return the con-

fiscated products. Plus, based on what we find, there could be substantial monetary fines."

"Why put yourself and career at risk?" asked Staff Sgt. Gerald Sullivan, 18th SFS senior customs inspector. "Do not take advantage of a situation. Follow the rules and regulations that pertain to our host nation."

The government of Japan customs section determines the authenticity of products and has the right to impose a tax on goods brought into this country. This also applies to products purchased in excessive amounts, like clothing, purses, wallets or electronic products, without having authorization for distribution or re-sale.

Personnel from the Air Force and Marine Corps staff the Kadena Customs and Immigrations office and are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Their office is located in the AMC terminal, Building 3409, Room 140. For more information, call 634-2217/1243.

Prohibited items

Prohibited and restricted items into Japan include:

- Fresh fruits
- Vegetables
- Meat and meat by-products
- Dairy products
- Agricultural products
- Weapons: (guns, knives, explosive devices) -- must be on orders
- Large quantities of alcohol, 2.28 liters or more
- Tobacco, 100 cigars, two or more cartons of cigarettes
- Pornographic materials, books, tapes, magazines, photographs, etc.
- Medication: prescribed and over-the-counter that has been removed from its original container or expired. Do not mix pills to save space. Prescribed medicine should be left in its original container.
- Illegal drugs
- Vicks brand nasal inhaler

American Education Week highlights joint initiatives

By Charles K. Steitz
Shogun Volunteer

American Education Week, observed Nov. 14-20, represented the opportunity for the community to show appreciation to parents, teachers, administrators, and the military for the significant contributions made to enhance the quality of education for the 9,400 students on island, officials say.

Unlike stateside schools the military works in conjunction with the Department of Defense Dependent Schools to support learning across the curriculum. The local theme for this year's celebration was, "Community and Command Appreciation."

"When you take a look at the many advantages of overseas schools, coupled with the support that the military community provides in terms of developing long lasting partnerships, it is very much different than anything you would find in the United States," said Steven R. Bloom, superintendent of schools, Okinawa.

"That unique relationship is so strong that when we talk about our students, it truly represents all of our children throughout our community.

“*...the relationship that exists in Okinawa as a joint-services community is a shining light and model for other communities.*”

Steven Bloom

In my years overseas, the relationship that exists in Okinawa as a joint-services community is a shining light and a model for other communities. The adopt-a-school program, the mentoring program, the level of support in terms of base operations, including the civil engineers, and everyone pulling together to enhance educational opportunities is exceptional," added Bloom.

An example of this relationship can be found in a recent full-day kindergarten initiative. Bloom said that the success of this program was directly related to the diligent efforts made by the command. "It took a lot of cooperation and work from the local commands to get this important educational initiative off the ground,"

says Bloom.

"Military aircraft airlifted the materials and the required equipment to Okinawa. The military also assisted by helping to place programs in child development centers for preschool children with disabilities, which provided additional classroom for a full-day kindergarten program." Not only did this resolve a space program, but it also provides children with disabilities an opportunity to interact with their peers in the least restrictive environment," said Bloom.

A fifth-grade teacher at Amelia Earhart Intermediate School, Cynthia Kling, said, "The essence of education throughout DoDDS is the enrichment provided to students by living overseas. The learning that

takes place in DoDDS is much more than opening a textbook. Our children are given the tools needed to teach others the importance of diversity and acceptance. They are given the key to America's greatness."

"America, and its educational system, was built upon the strengths of its individuals and the blending of its cultures. DoDDS students represent these diverse cultures. Through their experiences living overseas they learn to become more flexible, accepting of others, and appreciative of the differences that define America's people," added Kling.

Beginning with the Sure Start program, which is modeled after the Head Start Program in the United States, all the way through high school, DoDDS initiatives provide a curriculum that produces results.

"This quality education comes from the continued support we receive from the community as well as the military and we are truly grateful for the opportunity to educate our future leaders," said Bloom.

The many contributions provided by the Okinawa military community to benefit education were recognized during a ceremony on Nov. 17th at E.C. Killin Elementary School.

Okinawa Happenings

Off-Base

Exhibitions

Through January: *Battle of Okinawa Pictures Exhibition* — Sakima Art Museum — 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. — closed Tuesdays — ¥700 per adult, ¥500 per junior and senior high school students, ¥300 per elementary school student, under 5 enter free — 893-5737 for more information

Dining/Shows

Through Nov. 30: *Samantha and Darling Stevens Family Cinema Dinner* — Harborview Hotel — 5-9:30 p.m. — ¥8,000 — reservations required — 853-2111 for more information

Through Dec. 25: *Italian Christmas dinner* — Renaissance Hotel Restaurant Four Season — 6-10:30 p.m. — ¥9,000

Through Dec. 25: *Hong Kong Christmas dinner* — Coco Garden Resort Hotel — 5:30-10 p.m. — ¥3,500

Through Mar. 31, 2000: *Hawaiian Night Asian buffet and dinner show* — Renaissance Hotel — shows every night at 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. except Tuesdays — ¥5,250 in advance, ¥6,006 at the door, half price for children under 12



“Scrooge, A Christmas Carol” begins Dec. 3

The Pacific Okinawa Players and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's "Scrooge, A Christmas Carol" performance is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 3 and Dec. 4 in the Keystone Theater, as well as a Sunday matinee Dec. 5.

Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for students under age 12. Tickets will be sold at the door.

"This is truly a community performance," said director Shawne Cryderman. "Participating in this year's production are 65 actors and actresses as well as 10 who volunteered to make this an entertaining theatrical production."

Performers range in age from eight to 60.

The 10:24 Sunday Morning Evangelical Congregation also provided assistance. To produce the half-hour long production, the cast of 65 performers has been rehearsing Monday through Friday from 6:30-9 p.m.

The following is a commonly used list of telephone numbers for this week's off duty activities:

Schilling Community Activities Center	634-1386/7
Kadena Family Support Center	634-3366
Kadena Information, Tickets and Tours	634-4322
Kadena Arts and Crafts Center	634-1666
Kadena Base Library	634-1502
Kadena American Red Cross	634-1979
Banyan Tree Club	634-0644
Rocker NCO Club	634-0740
Officer's Club	632-6071
Busena Terrace Resort Hotel	098-051-1333
Southeast Botanical Garden	939-2555
Renaissance Hotel	965-0707
Mitsukoshi Department Store	869-4115
Ryubo Department Store	867-1171
Bullfighting	857-0185
Prefectural Folk Theater	866-2341

Dance/Music

Nov. 27: *The 13th Annual Okinawa Mandarin Ensemble Music Concert* — Pallet Folk Theater — 7-9 p.m. — ¥1,000 — 863-4017 for more information

Nov. 28: *Vienna Yes Trio Music Concert* — Pallet Folk Theater — 7-9 p.m. — ¥3,500 — 867-1414 for more information

Nov. 29: *Lithuanian National Symphony Orchestra* — Okinawa Convention Center — 7 p.m. — works from Beethoven and Shostakovich — ¥5,000 per family, ¥4,000 per adult, ¥3,000 per child, under 6 years not recommended to attend — 932-6883 for more information

Nov. 30: *Ryukyuan Dance Performance* — Okinawa Prefectural Folk Theater — 8 p.m. — ¥2,500

Tours

Daily: *Semi-submersible Boat Tour* — Kadena ITT — 8 boats daily, 50-minute tours — ¥3,500 per adult, ¥1,750 per child boarding charge — meal packages available at extra cost — tickets must be reserved

Nov. 27: *Northern Battle Sites* — Kadena ITT — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. — \$25 per adult, \$20 per child

Nov. 28: *Expo/Neo Park* — Kadena ITT — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — \$20 per adult, \$15 per child

Dec. 3: *Bath House* — Kadena ITT — 5:30-11:30 p.m. — \$25 per person

Dec. 4: *Christmas Shopping on Kokusai Street* — Kadena ITT — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — \$15 per adult, \$10 per child

Dec. 5: *Sacred Places, Shirnes and Temples* — Kadena ITT — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — \$18 per adult, \$12 per child

Dec. 8: *Monakids Indoor Playground* — Kadena ITT — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — \$12 per adult, \$10 per child, \$8 per infant

Dec. 10: *Urashima Dinner Theater* — Kadena ITT — 5:30-10 p.m. — \$55 per adult, \$28 per child

Dec. 11: *Gyokusendo Caves* — Kadena ITT — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — \$25 per adult, \$15 per child

Dec. 11: *Sumo Tournament* — Kadena ITT — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

International tours

Dec. 18-21: *Hong Kong* — Kadena ITT

Dec. 18-21: *Bangkok* — Kadena ITT

Dec. 26 through Jan. 3: *The Millennium in Bali* — Kadena ITT

Dec. 19-23: *Sinapore* — Kadena ITT

Dec. 19 - Jan. 3: *Australia*, Kadena ITT

Dec. 27 - Jan. 2: *Bali*, Kadena ITT

Jan. 16-23: *Bangkok & Chaing Mai*, Kadena ITT

On-Base

Officers Club

Nov. 29: *Membership Night* — 5-7 p.m. — drawing for prizes will be done Nov. 30 for those who attended — write name, phone number and last four of sponsor's social security number to be eligible

Rocker NCO Club

Nov. 26: *All Night Party* — Lounge — variety music — 5 p.m. to 3 a.m. — Ballroom — Rythm and Blues and Urban music mix — 10:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. — breakfast available in Dining Room at 3 a.m.

Dec. 1-23: *December Holiday Meal-to-go* — \$54.95 — includes a 22-24 pound turkey, cornbread dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, dinner rolls and pumpkin pie — \$59.95 for smoked ham instead of turkey — orders accepted at customer service area — limited dinners available — paid in full at time of order — pick-up is Dec. 24

Banyan Tree Club

Nov. 26: *Countdown to 2000* — Lounge — 80's Trivia — all participants entered in drawing to be held at end of month

Johnson Dining Facility

Dec. 25: *Christmas Day Brunch* — menu includes shrimp cocktail, chicken rice soup, chicken gumbo, steamship round, roast turkey, baked fish, cornbread dressing, mashed potatoes, steamed rice, Southern-style green beans, corn on the cob, glazed yams, potato salad, cucumber and onion salad, fruit cocktail, breads and pie

Okuma Surfside Restaurant

Dec. 25: *Christmas Gourmet Dinner* — 5-9 p.m. — dinner with soup and salad, fruit, desert, champagne and tea and coffee

New Year's Eve

Dec. 1: *New Year's Eve parties* Dec. 31 — tickets go on sale

Officers Club: 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the ballroom with entertainment from G.D. Productions Force Music DJ Family — tickets, \$20, walk-ins accepted Dec. 31 after 11 p.m. for \$15

Rocker NCO Club: Doors open at 7 p.m. for ticket holder only — R&B/Urban Beat Mix DJ in ballroom — 60s through present day dance-variety mix DJ in the lounge — tickets, \$20 — after Dec. 22, tickets cost \$25 for non-club, SOFA-status people

Banyan Tree Club: Doors open at 8 p.m. for ticket holders only — Hip-hop/Urban/House mix in ballroom and variety mix and requests in the lounge — tickets, \$20 — heavy hors d'oeuvres buffet, breakfast at 12:15 a.m. — no reserved seating

Kadena All Star Lanes: From 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. — five people can rent a lane for \$75 for six hours, or open bowling with a pay-as-you-go snack bar — hats, party favors, bottle of champagne

Gatherings

Mondays: *George Frederick Handel's "Messiah" practice* — Ecumenical Chorale — 7-9 p.m. — auditions required for soloists — concert set for early December — 645-8432 for more information

Fridays and Saturdays: *Country and Western night* — Schilling Community Activities Center — 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. — 634-6981 for more information

Nov. 27: *After Thanksgiving Dance and Silent Auction* — Kadena Officers Club — sponsored by the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority — 8 p.m. to midnight — casual dress — donations of \$15 or more are being accepted — 645-5151 for more information

Nov. 28: *Family Karaoke* — Shilling Community Activities Center Ballroom — 5 p.m.

Dec. 3: *Christmas Parade* — Schilling



Photos with Santa

Have a photo taken with Santa in front of an F-15C Eagle Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the 67th Fighter Squadron building. Photos are \$5 each. Call Liz Jackson at 633-5143 or Teresa Shippey at 633-7767 for more information.

- *Flower Arranging* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 6-8 p.m.
- *Beginning Tole Painting* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursdays

- *Wood Shop Safety* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 5-6 p.m.
- *Advanced Pottery* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 5-8 p.m.
- *Frame Update* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 5:15-8 p.m.

Fridays

- *Belly Dance* — Schilling Community Activities Center — 6-7 p.m.

Saturdays

- *Dry-brush Painting* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 2:30-4:30 p.m.
- *Wood Shop Safety* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 9-10 a.m.
- *Quilting* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- *Jeweled Eggs* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- *Make-it and Take-it* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- *Beginning Pottery* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 9-11 a.m.
- *Framing and Matting* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 9-11:30 a.m.
- *Washi Paper and Kime Komii* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to noon
- *Child's Bisque Painting* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 10 a.m. to noon
- *Money Management* — Schilling Community Activities Center — Nov. 6-20 — 9 a.m. to noon

Sundays

- *Kids' Clay Creations* — Kadena Arts and Crafts Center — 2-5 p.m.

Teen Center Millennium

Dec. 2: *Keystone Club* — 4 p.m.
Dec. 3: Ping-pong tournament — 4-6 p.m.
Dec. 4: Variety dance — 7-10 p.m.
Dec. 10: Pool tournament — 4-6 p.m.
Dec. 15: Teen Talks — 3-4 p.m.
Dec. 16: Keystone Club — 4 p.m.
Dec. 17: Computer game tournament — 4-6 p.m.
Dec. 18: Variety winter ball — 7-11 p.m. (semi formal, no jeans)
Dec. 31: Millennium party — 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Chapel

Catholic

Saturday
 Confessions — 4 p.m. — Chapel 1
 Mass — 5 p.m. — Chapel 1

Sunday
 Mass — 8:45 a.m. — Chapel 1
 Mass — 12:15 p.m. — Chapel 2
 Mass — 5 p.m. — Chapel 1

Protestant

Sunday
 Inspirational Service — 9 a.m. — Chapel 2
 Evangelical Service — 10:24 a.m. — Base Theater
 General Protestant Service — 10:30 a.m. — Chapel 1
 Liturgical Service — 10:30 a.m. — Chapel 2
 Gospel Service — noon — Chapel 1

Eastern Othodox

Saturday
 Vespers — 5 p.m. — Camp Foster St. Nicholas Chapel

Sunday
 Divine Liturgy — 9:30 a.m. — Camp Foster St. Nicholas Chapel
 For more information, call 645-7486.

Jewish

Friday
 Shabbat Service — 7:15 p.m. — Camp Foster Chapel

Sunday
 Religious Education — 9:30 a.m. — Camp Foster Credo Center
 For more information, call Chaplain Mitchell Schranz at 637-1027.

Islamic

For information, call Gunnery Sgt. Hefis Camp at 637-2167/2164.

MOVIES

Movie schedules are supplied by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. Patrons should call the theater to verify movie titles, ratings, and running and start times.

KEYSTONE, 634-1869

Tonight: "Dudley Do Right," PG, and "House on Haunted Hill," R
Saturday: "Dudley Do Right," PG, and "House on Haunted Hill," R
Sunday: "Chill Factor," R
Monday: "Chill Factor," R
Tuesday: "Stir of Echoes," R
Wednesday: "Stir of Echoes," R
Thursday: closed for base function
Dec. 3: closed for base function

BUTLER, 645-3465

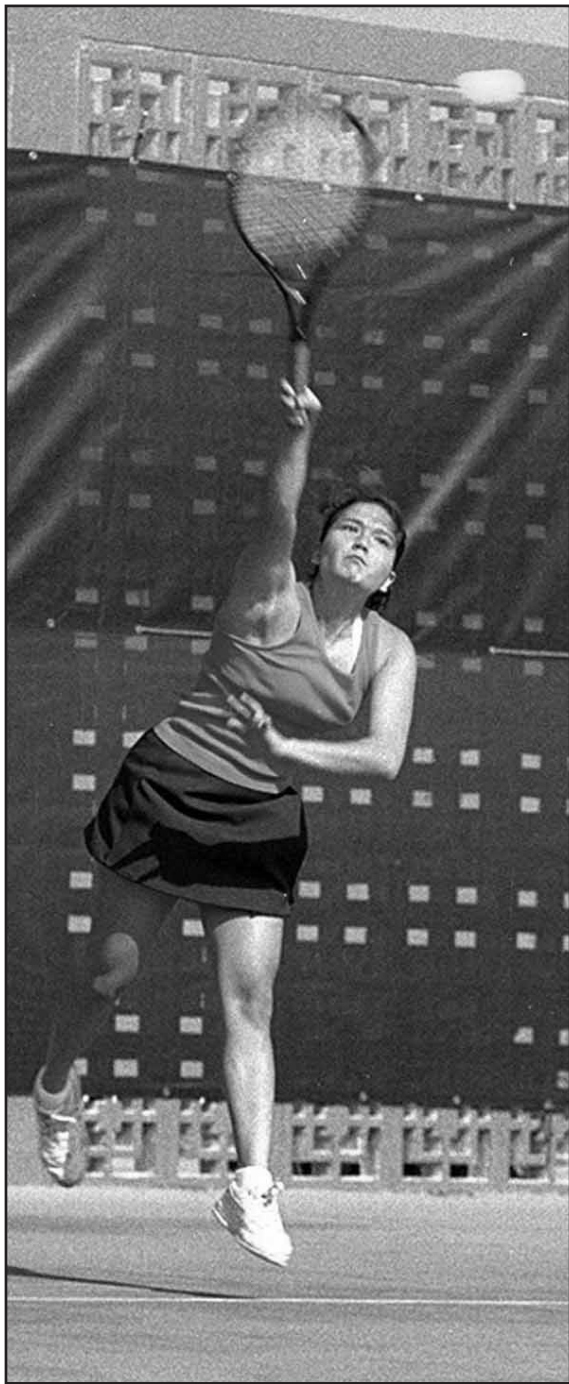
Tonight: "The Insider," R
Saturday: "Mystery Men," PG-13, and "The Insider," R
Sunday: "Mystery Men," PG-13, and "Chill Factor," R
Monday: "Chill Factor," R
Tuesday: "The 13th Warrior," R
Wednesday: "The 13th Warrior," R
Thursday: "Stir of Echoes," R
Dec. 3: "Pokémon: The First Movie," G, and "Stir of Echoes," R

VIDEOS

New video releases available each Tuesday at the base video stores. Because of shipping, release dates may vary.

Nov. 30

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"	
"Black Mask"	"Mating Habits"
"Ms. Scrooge"	"Simon Sez"
"Wild Wild West"	



Photos by Senior Airman Cohen Young



LEFT: Doubles player Tess Saroka, of a combined Tie Seoul International and E.J. King High School at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, serves the ball during the Far East Tennis Tournament. RIGHT: Andy Smith, Kadena High School boys' team, returns a serve. The Kadena boys team placed eighth in the tournament.

Base sponsors Far East tournament

Kadena was the place to be for tennis when the Risner Fitness Center sponsored the Far East Tennis Tournament here Nov. 10-13.

Twenty-two high schools from around the Pacific Rim played tennis for three days, ending with the Kadena High School girls placing fourth and the Kadena boys team finishing eighth.

The Tie Christian Academy of Japan and Hong Kong International placed first for the boys' team standings, and the American School in Japan took first in the girls' category.

Competing were 11 Department of Defense Dependents Schools and 11 international schools with Hong Kong International, Father Duenas from Guam, and Southern from Guam making their first appearances. About 300 matches were played during the tournament. Nearly 50 Kadena volunteers helped with scoring, refereeing, and transportation.

Paul Hidaka of Saint Mary's was named the most valuable player in the boys' divisions, while

Emmy Harris, American School in Japan, was named the girls' most valuable player.

Following are team standings:

Boys team standings

1. Tie Christian Academy
2. American School in Japan
3. Saint Mary's
4. Seoul International
5. Taegu, South Korea
6. Seoul American
7. Kubasaki
8. Kadena

Girls team standings

1. American School in Japan
2. Sacred Hearts
3. Tie Seoul American and Seisen
4. Kadena
5. Hong Kong International
6. Yokota
7. Tie Seoul International and E.J. King

BRIEFS

Officials needed

The Okinawa Athletic Officials Association invites people who would like to become sports officials to attend monthly meetings at 7 p.m. the third Sunday of every month at Kadena High School. No experience is needed.

Sports officials are needed for softball, football, basketball, volleyball and soccer.

For more information, call 633-4116.

Youth football

A punt, pass and kick contest for boys and girls ages 7-15 is being offered at 9 a.m., Dec. 4, in the Torii Sports Complex. Awards will be given to the top youth in ages 7, 8, 9, 11, 12 and 15. For more information, call 644-4334.

Dec. 11 run for fun

An open 2.5/10-kilometer run is slated at 8 a.m., Dec. 11, at the Camp Courtney Fitness Center.

It's open to everyone on island.

The cost is \$15 in advance, and \$20 the day of the event.

Sign up at any Marine fitness center or on site before 7:30 a.m. the day of the event.

Awards will be presented to first- through third-place finishers in each category.

For more information, call 622-9221.

Okinawa Marathathon Feb. 20

The 2000 Okinawa Marathon is scheduled Feb. 20. A 10-kilometer road race is also being planned. Applications for both the races are available at the Falcon Fitness Center and the Risner Fitness Center. The race is for Status-of-Forces-Agreement people only. Marathon registration fees are ¥3,500 for adults and ¥2,500 for runners between 18-16 years of age. The fee for the road race is ¥2,000 for everyone over age 16. The fee includes insurance and a commemorative

T-shirt. For more information, call 634-2207/5131.

Tennis singles tournament

The Kadena Tennis Center is having a Friendship Singles Tennis Tournament Dec. 4 and 5 for divisions C and D and Dec. 11 and 12 for divisions A and B. The sign-up deadline for divisions C and D is Monday. The sign-up deadline for divisions A and B is Dec. 6. Start times for both divisions is 9 a.m. The cost is \$15 per person, which includes a T-shirt and refreshments.

Sports Pro Shop gift certificates will be awarded to the winners. For more information, call 634-0695.

Fitness centers to close

The Falcon and Risner Fitness Centers will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 17 for an office function. They'll re-open at 6 a.m., Dec. 18.

League standings

As of Nov. 20

Intramural Bowling			
American League		National League	
18th CES-A	54-18	633rd AMSS-B	46-18
18th MXS-A	44-28	33rd RQS	38-18
390th IS-B	44-28	18th MXS-C	40-24
18th WG-A	43-29	18th SUPS-A	40-24
390th IS-A	42-30	18th MXS-D	32-32
18th TRANS-B	42-30	18th CPTS	32-32
82nd RS-A	40-32	18th OSS/OG	26-30
18th MXS-B	40-32	82nd RS-B	26-30
909th ARS-A	39-33	909th ARS-B	24-40
18th TRANS-A	38-34	18th CS-B	24-40
Flag football			
DIVISION 1		DIVISION 2	
18th CS-A	5-0	961st AACs	4-0
633rd AMSS	4-1	18th SFS	3-1
18th MDG	3-2	18th CS-B	3-1
18th OSS-A	3-2	18th MUNS	3-2
18th MXS	3-3	18th MSS	2-3
67th FS	1-3	18th SVS	1-3
18th CES	1-5	33rd RQS	0-6
909th ARS	1-5		
Basketball			
DIVISION 1		DIVISION 2	
909th ARS	7-0	18th OSS	5-0
633rd AMSS-A	5-1	18th SVS	6-1
18th CS-A	5-1	18th LSS	5-1
18th MXS-A	4-1	58th SIG BN	6-2
961st AACs	3-1	18th SFS	3-3
353rd SOG-A	3-1	18th CPTS-A	3-3
390th IS	2-3	633rd AMSS-B	3-4
18th MDG	2-4	82nd RS	2-4
18th SUPS	2-5	18th CEG-B	2-6
18th CEG-A	1-4	18th TRANS	1-5
18th CS-B	0-5	18th MSS	0-2
18th MXS-B	0-8	353rd SOG-B	0-5